

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☒ X
no ☐

Property Name: Jefferson Primary School Inventory Number: F-2-40
Address: _____ City: Jefferson Zip Code: _____
County: Frederick USGS Topographic Map: Point of Rocks
Owner: _____ Is the property being evaluated a district? ☐ yes
Tax Parcel Number: _____ Tax Map Number: _____ Tax Account ID Number: _____
Project: _____ Agency: _____
Site visit by MHT staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name: _____ Date: _____
Is the property located within a historic district? ☐ yes ☐ no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: F-2-39
NR-listed district ☐ yes Eligible district ☐ yes Name of District: Jefferson Historic District
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ☒ yes ☐ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ☐ yes

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district) Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible ☐ yes ☐ no

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Prepared by: FDIC Paul G. Fritts Date Prepared: 7/25/1980

Documentation on the property/district is presented in:

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Dating from 1924, the Jeffrson Primary School is eligible for the National Register under Criterion C as an element lacking individual distinction within a potentially eligible historic district. The school can be characterized as a supporting building in the Jefferson Historic District because it represents 1) a public building located on the town's main street which played a locally important role in the history of public education in Jefferson and 2) a component of the collections of modest, vernacular buildings forming the district which conveys the historical development of a typical rural town in the Western Maryland region.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended ☒ X Eligibility not recommended ☐
Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ X ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

MHT Comments

This property was Federally Nominated for the National Register.

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

Carol D. Shull, Keeper

Reviewer, NR Program

Date

Thursday, September 11, 1980

Date

F-2-40

~~F-3-48~~

Jefferson Primary School
Jefferson
Private

1924

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In 1924 the existing school building which house grades one through six was built and the old school razed.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Jefferson Primary School

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Intersection of Lander Road and Main St.

CITY, TOWN

Jefferson

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

M 84; P 22

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED
☒ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME St. Johns Council Home

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 1459

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21701

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #: 843

Folio #: 153

STREET & NUMBER

N. Court St.

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The main entrance located in the center of the north side of the building extends forward of the main block of the building. This entrance tower is constructed of smooth brick laid in common bond with a stepped parapet capped with cement at the top. A rectangle inset in the brick wall and bordered with header bricks is located over the arched opening. A stepped brick wall capped with cement flanks the main steps leading to the front entrance. The main entrance doors which had been twin four panel doors have been boarded close. The principal facade is three bays wide. The main entrance is located in the second bay.

Twin multipaned windows are located in each bay. A stretcher belt course encircles the entire building over the windows and just above the basement at the foundation level. Three diamond shaped brick patterns decorate the facade of the school over the upper belt course.

The rear elevation (south) of the building is identical to the front. Two sets of five multipaned windows light the classrooms on the east and west sides of the school which are identical except for a cellar entrance, a crossbuck door down a flight of cement stairs surrounded by pipe railing located in the center of the east side of the building.

The building is built on a high brick foundation and covered by what appears to be a flat composite roof with cement capped brick parapet.

Two single brick chimneys rise from the center west and southwest corners of the building. A one story cinder block shed is located in the southeast corner of the building.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1924

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

"Pursuant to and in conformity with the provisions on an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at the January Session, 1872 Chapter 377," the Board of School Commissioners for the Primary School District 17 purchased the land upon which the existing old school building stands for \$500.00 from Michael and Elizabeth Culler on November 9, 1896.¹

This was the second school to sit on the corner of Lander Road and Main Street. In 1841 the trustees of the Primary School #17 bought land for a school from Andrew and Loretta Kesler.²

The original school "consisted of two rooms, two privies located in the rear and a large town water pump out front." In 1858 a second floor was added to the building for use as a high school.³

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¹Frederick County Land Records, Liber HS 13; Folio 2.

²Ibid., Liber JLJ 14; Folio 466.

³Edited by Jay N. Ballentine, Jefferson 1774-1974, p. 51, 52.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

clh

NAME / TITLE

Cherilyn E. Widell, Coordinator

ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

7/16/80

STREET & NUMBER

Winchester Hall, 12 E. Church St.

TELEPHONE

694-1063

CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

POINT OF ROCKS QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND-VIRGINIA
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

280

32'30"

282 650 000 FEET (MD.)

284

77





F-2-40

~~F-2-40~~ Jefferson Primary
School
In London Rd and
Main St

Jefferson
FREDERICK COUNTY
MD

Chas 6/30



F-2-40

~~300~~ Jefferson
Primary School
Int. Number 172 out
Main St
Jefferson

Fixed Telephone (000000)
1/20

City 6/30